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I saw 1 new case of fever this morning, a Mexican, aged 34, sick with continued fever for 10 days. I shall see him again to-day.

*Conditions at Corpus Christi—Malarial fever.*

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX., August 12, 1904.

I arrived in Corpus Christi on the 10th instant. I find that the city authorities are not doing anything to keep up the mosquito campaign, and mosquitoes are abundant.

Yesterday I saw a case of malarial fever, age 4 months, which had arrived from Brownsville August 1, taken sick with chill, fever following on the 8th, since which time the symptoms are clearly malarial, controlled by quinine; temperature  $105^{\circ}$  on the 11th and  $100^{\circ}$  on the 12th.

One case arrived here last night from Zarita, on the Brownsville railroad, an engineer, aged 28. He was taken with a severe chill on August 10; pain in the back and whole body; severe headache, vomiting dark, coffee-colored fluid. These symptoms continued until to-day. Temperature, August 11, in the evening,  $105.5^{\circ}$ ; has had sponging all day with cold water; temperature this evening,  $99^{\circ}$ ; feels better; tongue, whitish coat, flaccid, not pointed; pulse, 84; eyes, yellowing and congested; skin, yellow; urine, dark, but mixed with feces; was unable to get sample for examination; the case looks like one of pernicious malaria.

Physicians report a number of cases lately that are usually taken with chills, fever, and aching of limbs and back, some cases lasting three or four days, others for as long as two or three weeks.

Cases seen are similar to those that were investigated in Alice and vicinity.

I shall return to San Diego August 13.

*Improved conditions at Alice.*

AUGUST 17, 1904.

I visited Alice yesterday, and from information furnished by the local physicians I am led to believe that the town is in better condition with regard to sickness and from a sanitary standpoint.

In Corpus Christi I find that there are still many cases of malarial fever and continued fever. The case from Kingville is better; I examined urine and found no albumin, but considerable bile pigments. It is evidently the pernicious type.

The citizens, individually, are doing some antimosquito work, but the city has not so far done anything.

I shall return to San Diego to-morrow morning.

*Inspection of ranches—Conditions at Brownsville.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Cock reports, through Passed Assistant Surgeon Richardson, as follows:

BROWNSVILLE, TEX., August 9, 1904.

Since leaving Hidalgo I have inspected the Closner ranch, an irrigated plantation devoted to sugar cane, bananas, and alfalfa, with a population of 200. Some malarial fever is prevalent, and mosquitoes are abundant.